

MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON, NEW YORK HELD ON TUESDAY DECEMBER 6, 1994 8:00 P.M. RECREATION CENTER, 71 MAIN STREET, IRVINGTON, NEW YORK.

Present: Dennis P. Flood, Mayor
Sheila M. Attai, Trustee
James McNiff, Trustee
Robert H. Pouch, Trustee
Stephen A. McCabe, Administrator
Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer
Robert M. Bauer, Superintendent of Public Works
Eugene Hughey, Building Inspector

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Flood who led the attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Trustee Pouch made a motion to adopt the minutes of the regular meetings of the Village Board held on November 21, 1994 as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Attai and unanimously approved as amended.

Mayor Flood opened the floor to public comment. Mr. Greg Volpe asked about the public/private status of North section of Riverview Road. Mayor Flood indicated that Village Attorney Kevin Plunkett will be responding to this question shortly. Administrator Steve McCabe indicated that he would be in touch with Mr. Plunkett in order to get a response shortly.

Barbara Denyer requested to see examples of TriCourt Contracting's previous work. Steve McCabe indicated that a list of such information was requested and would be forwarded to Ms. Denyer when received. Ms. Denyer stated that TriCourt's presentation regarding the Burnham Building was unprofessional. She claimed that the Board was condescending and devious in their presentation of the Burnham Building project. Trustee Attai indicated that Ms. Denyer is entitled to a list of the addresses of TriCourt's previous projects. Mayor Flood responded to the issue of unprofessionalism by reminding Ms. Denyer that the Board came public with the current status of the plans prior to having a completed and signed contract. It did so in order to inform the public of the status and the general progress of the project. The Board chose to do this solely to keep the public informed. He continued by noting that there are a great many questions to be answered and that is why the presentation may have appeared to be unprofessional. In addition, Mayor Flood stated that he did not agree that this Board had acted condescending or devious. Ms. Denyer stated that she did not know that a portion of the building would be sold to a developer. Trustee Pouch remarked that the Village could not afford the entire building plus the cost of renovations.

Frank Marra discussed a traffic problem at the Trent Building on Buckhout Street. He noted that his wife had recently been in an accident with a truck at this location. He stated that there are 2 problems at this location. First, the trucks which are backed into the Trent Building for loading and unloading block a large portion of Buckhout. Second, the large bush on the Trent Building property which renders it difficult to see. Mayor Flood responded to Mr. Marra by stating that Mr. McCabe together with Police Chief Richard Denike and Supt. of Public Works Bob Bauer would review and attempt to resolve the matter.

Stu Goldberg, captain of the Irvington Volunteer Ambulance Corps asked whether the Village would consider placing the Ambulance Service Award issue on the March ballot. He had indications from the public that the community would be in favor of such a program. Mayor Flood noted that Mr. Plunkett has reviewed the law with respect to the time frame involved and that it appeared that there is time to place this issue on the ballot. He also noted that the Board has requested Clerk-Treasurer to analyze the situation and report to the Board regarding this matter. Mr. Schopfer told Mr. Goldberg that he would be in contact with him by the end of the week. Mr. Goldberg noted that as time goes on, current members are losing valuable service time credit. Mr. McCabe and Mr. Schopfer both noted that any service award program would allow for recovery of prior service time.

Mayor Flood read a letter from Mr. Bob Finn.

Mayor Flood spoke about a recent accident on the High School Road. Stu Goldberg indicated that education of the students might be an answer to the accident problem on that road. Chief Denike indicated that his department had already begun the process of educating students regarding testing of brakes, etc.

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Mayor Flood announced a public hearing to be held at the Village Board meeting on December 19, 1994 with respect to amending the Village law regarding Senior Citizens Tax Exemptions, specifically by increasing the limits of annual income to qualify for an exemption.

Trustee Attai noted that the low water alarm has been installed in police headquarters and is operable. In addition, the water department has been watching the installation of the infrastructure at the Bracebridge subdivision.

Trustee McNiff thanked all those who helped make the Holiday Happenings a success. He also noted that a consultant's report regarding firehouse expansion would be available by the end of the week. In addition, the fire department is forming a committee to look at the eventual acquisition of a ladder truck to replace the current 1965 model.

Trustee Pouch indicated that leaf pickup was still continuing and would be completed by the middle of December. In addition, the Village had received a tree planting grant and would be planting trees during December.

Steve McCabe read a notice indicating that the Village of Tarrytown would be acting as lead agency for the SEQRA regarding commercial communication devices. In addition, he noted that a preliminary draft of the fire house expansion report had been received and that the final report was expected by the end of the week.

John Fallon asked whether the parking amnesty day was a success. Mayor Flood indicated that it was a success. Over \$5,000 was collected as a result of the amnesty program.

Trustee Pouch made a motion for the Board to adjourn to executive session to take up litigation and personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Trustee Attai and unanimously approved.

After reconvening from executive session, there being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer

Attachments